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Sir:

Pursuant to the Appellant's earlier filed Notice of Appeal on June 28, 2005, the Appellant appealed the Examiner's March 28, 2005 Office Action finally rejecting claims 1-12. Appellant's Appeal Brief was filed August 29, 2005. The Examiner's Answer was mailed November 21, 2005. Appellant's Reply Brief together with the requisite fees set forth in 37 CFR § 41.20 is submitted herewith.

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